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## Iowa Drug and Crime Control Initiatives Invited to Apply for Grants

DES MOINES – The Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy (ODCP) is accepting applications for the State's portion of the federal Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) programs. An estimated \$3.2 million will be available through ODCP's competitive grant process for the State fiscal year beginning July 1.

The JAG program makes it possible for states to support drug/crime control priorities, and to improve the criminal justice system. RSAT supports substance abuse treatment in state and local correctional and detention facilities.

ODCP will consider applications that address priorities set forth in the 2012 lowa Drug Control Strategy and align with JAG/RSAT program purpose areas (law enforcement programs; prosecution and court programs; prevention and education programs; corrections and community corrections programs; drug treatment and enforcement programs; planning and evaluation; and technology improvement programs).

Local and State units of government, including Indian tribes, are eligible to apply to ODCP for JAG and RSAT grants. Faith-based and nonprofit organizations are also eligible to apply, in collaboration with government agencies.

April 2 is the deadline for submitting JAG and RSAT applications online to ODCP, which intends to announce the recipients of grant awards on or around June 1.

For more information on the JAG or RSAT programs, go to ODCP's website at <a href="https://www.iowa.gov/odcp">www.iowa.gov/odcp</a> or contact Dennis Wiggins at <a href="mailto:515-725-0300/dennis.wiggins@iowa.gov">515-725-0300/dennis.wiggins@iowa.gov</a>.

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